


MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable JB Pritzker, Governor
The Honorable Emanuel “Chris” Welch, Speaker of the House
The Honorable Tony McCombie, House Minority Leader
The Honorable Don Harmon, Senate President
The Honorable John Curran, Senate Minority Leader

FROM: Dr. Tony Sanders 
State Superintendent of Education

DATE: September 18, 2024

SUBJECT: Illinois Educator Preparation Test and Pass Rates

Please find attached the Illinois educator preparation content tests and pass rates submitted in compliance with Illinois School Code, 105 ILCS 5/2-3.11d. This report lists all educator preparation providers in the state and the number of licensure content tests taken and passed by candidates at each institution from August 2021-June 2024.

Note that the Test of Academic Proficiency (TAP) exam is not included in this report; this test was eliminated as a licensure requirement in August 2019.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please contact Dana Stoerger, executive director of Legislative Affairs, at 217-782-6510.

cc: Secretary of the Senate Clerk of the House Legislative Research Unit State
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Pursuant to Illinois Administrative Code, 105 ILCS 5/2-3. 11d, this report provides information about Illinois educator preparation providers and content test data. Specific content test data broken down by institutions of higher education follows.

Illinois-Approved Educator Preparation Providers

The table below includes the 54 Illinois Institutions of higher education that are approved to prepare educators via teaching, school support, and administrative licensure programs.

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| Augustana College | New Leaders |
| Aurora University | North Central College |
| Benedictine University | North Park University |
| Blackburn College | Northeastern Illinois University |
| Bradley University | Northern Illinois University |
| Chicago State University | Northwestern University |
| Concordia University | Olivet Nazarene University |
| DePaul University | Quincy University |
| Dominican University | Relay Graduate School of Education |
| Eastern Illinois University | Rockford University |
| Elmhurst College | Roosevelt University |
| Erikson Institute | St. Xavier University |
| Eureka College | School of the Art Institute Chicago |
| Governors State University | Southern Illinois University Carbondale |
| Greenville University | Southern Illinois University Edwardsville |
| Hebrew Theological College | The Chicago School |
| Illinois College | University of Chicago |
| Illinois State University | Trinity Christian College |
| Illinois Wesleyan University | Trinity International University |
| Judson University | University of Illinois Chicago |
| Knox College | University of Illinois Springfield |
| Lake Forest College | University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign |
| Lewis University | University of St. Francis |
| Loyola University Chicago | VanderCook College of Music |
| McKendree University | Western Illinois University |
| Millikin University | Wheaton College |
| Monmouth College | |
| National Louis University | |

Below is a summary of information that can be found in the attached Appendix: *Illinois Licensure Testing System-Examinee Performance on ALL Content Tests by Educator Preparation Program: Initial and Cumulative Program Years: August 2021-June 2024.*

Illinois Licensure Testing System

Content Area Tests' Pass Rates Summary: First (Initial) & Best (Cumulative) Attempt *August 2021 – June 2024*

Data Explanation

- Data for this report include examinees who tested between August 2021 and June 2024.
- The data show the number of examinees who took any Illinois Licensure Testing System (ILTS) content test during the time period specified above; the number and percentage of individuals who passed on the first (initial) attempt during that time; and the number and percentage of examinees who passed on the best (cumulative attempts) during that time. The number of examinees is redacted if it was fewer than 10 per institution.
- Cumulative attempts are results for all examinees based on their best attempt, which may be their first, second, third, or a later attempt, to take the test during the three-year time period.

Data Limitations

- Score-report institution (that is, the institutions that examinees identified for their scores to be sent) data are used as a proxy for an institution. However, some examinees may not have attended -- or were not currently attending -- any institution they selected; additionally, examinees who later become candidates may not have selected the institutions that they ultimately attended.
- Examinees may not have taken college coursework at any institution they identified as a score-report recipient.
- Since examinees may report test scores to up to three institutions; pass rates for upto three institutions may be affected by one examinee's scores whether the examinee attended that institution or not.

- There are no restrictions as to who can take the tests.
- Institutions have no input as to who is tested or who identifies them as a score-report institution.
- Pass rates for this report may be different from the pass rate reports required under Title II of the Higher Education Act because of different methodology in the data-gathering and institutional review process. (Students reported under Title II have already been admitted to an educator preparation program.)

August 2021-June 2024

Total Number of Subject Matter Tests Taken = 53,130

Total Number of Subject Matter Tests Passed = 46,270

*Total Number of TAP Assessments Taken = 0

*Total Number of TAP Assessments Passed = 0

TAP assessments no longer required by the state but required for report purposes.

Illinois Licensure Testing System
Examinee Performance on All Content Tests by Educator
Preparation Program: Initial and Cumulative
Program Years: August 2021 - June 2024

*Initial Attempt = Results for examinees on their first attempt on each test taken in the program year.
Cumulative Attempts = Results for all examinees on their best attempt, which could be their first, second, third, or subsequent attempt, on each test taken in the administration year*

Total N = Number of examinees

| Educator Preparation Program | August 2021 - June 2024 | | | | | |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|--------|--------|---------------------|--------|--------|
| | First Attempt | | | Cumulative Attempts | | |
| | N | N Pass | % Pass | N | N Pass | % Pass |
| Augustana College | 230 | 197 | 86% | 232 | 218 | 94% |
| Aurora University | 1,528 | 1,096 | 72% | 1,574 | 1,310 | 83% |
| Benedictine University | 76 | 57 | 75% | 80 | 67 | 84% |
| Blackburn College | 220 | 154 | 70% | 235 | 195 | 83% |
| Bradley University | 258 | 205 | 79% | 269 | 242 | 90% |
| Chicago State University | 467 | 241 | 52% | 511 | 346 | 68% |
| Concordia University | 1,516 | 1,240 | 82% | 1,571 | 1,399 | 89% |
| DePaul University | 1,274 | 981 | 77% | 1,337 | 1,154 | 86% |
| Dominican University | 552 | 383 | 69% | 569 | 461 | 81% |
| Eastern Illinois University | 1,236 | 969 | 78% | 1,266 | 1,147 | 91% |
| Elmhurst University | 522 | 413 | 79% | 542 | 497 | 92% |
| Erikson Institute | 59 | 47 | 80% | 59 | 53 | 90% |
| Eureka College | 81 | 62 | 77% | 81 | 73 | 90% |
| Governors State University | 755 | 489 | 65% | 792 | 632 | 80% |
| Greenville University | 248 | 161 | 65% | 264 | 206 | 78% |
| Hebrew Theological College | 15 | 12 | 80% | 15 | 12 | 80% |
| Illinois College | 131 | 96 | 73% | 135 | 115 | 85% |
| Illinois State University | 4,635 | 3,467 | 75% | 4,792 | 4,310 | 90% |

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| Illinois Wesleyan University | 134 | 122 | 91% | 134 | 126 | 94% |
| Judson University | 71 | 50 | 70% | 71 | 63 | 89% |
| Knox College | 84 | 75 | 89% | 89 | 83 | 93% |
| Lake Forest College | 109 | 89 | 82% | 112 | 104 | 93% |
| Lewis University | 930 | 715 | 77% | 965 | 840 | 87% |
| Loyola University Chicago | 738 | 619 | 84% | 745 | 681 | 91% |
| McKendree University | 400 | 317 | 79% | 418 | 368 | 88% |
| Millikin University | 257 | 176 | 68% | 271 | 232 | 86% |
| Monmouth College | 68 | 53 | 78% | 70 | 65 | 93% |
| National Louis University | 4,267 | 2,888 | 68% | 4,460 | 3,672 | 82% |
| New Leaders | 366 | 174 | 48% | 388 | 256 | 66% |
| North Central College | 369 | 309 | 84% | 376 | 347 | 92% |
| North Park University | 406 | 302 | 74% | 429 | 369 | 86% |
| Northeastern Illinois University | 1,737 | 1,263 | 73% | 1,815 | 1,577 | 87% |
| Northern Illinois University | 2,104 | 1,635 | 78% | 2,162 | 1,932 | 89% |
| Northwestern University | 440 | 389 | 88% | 442 | 427 | 97% |
| Olivet Nazarene University | 392 | 313 | 80% | 406 | 349 | 86% |
| Quincy University | 126 | 97 | 77% | 129 | 118 | 91% |
| Relay Graduate School of Education | 629 | 406 | 65% | 656 | 515 | 79% |
| Rockford University | 353 | 239 | 68% | 363 | 297 | 82% |
| Roosevelt University | 647 | 448 | 69% | 699 | 569 | 81% |
| Saint Xavier University | 693 | 459 | 66% | 737 | 598 | 81% |
| School of the Art Institute of Chicago | 46 | 44 | 96% | 49 | 47 | 96% |
| Southern Illinois U. Carbondale | 658 | 477 | 72% | 682 | 599 | 88% |
| Southern Illinois U. Edwardsville | 1,000 | 778 | 78% | 1,015 | 928 | 91% |
| The Chicago School | 81 | 63 | 78% | 81 | 76 | 94% |
| University of Chicago | 121 | 92 | 76% | 129 | 110 | 85% |

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| Trinity Christian College | 244 | 164 | 67% | 272 | 210 | 77% |
| Trinity International University | 45 | 41 | 91% | 45 | 42 | 93% |
| U. of Illinois Urbana- Champaign | 1,611 | 1,401 | 87% | 1,628 | 1,539 | 95% |
| University of Illinois Chicago | 1,850 | 1,312 | 71% | 1,938 | 1,676 | 86% |
| University of Illinois Springfield | 333 | 252 | 76% | 340 | 299 | 88% |
| University of Saint Francis | 727 | 581 | 80% | 747 | 668 | 89% |
| VanderCook College of Music | 53 | 43 | 81% | 55 | 52 | 95% |
| Western Illinois University | 1,095 | 848 | 77% | 1,124 | 996 | 89% |
| Wheaton College | 263 | 249 | 95% | 263 | 254 | 97% |